



**SUMMARY OF NOTES FOR THE REGULAR  
MEETING OF THE  
LOS ANGELES COUNTY COMMISSION ON  
DISABILITIES**

**500 WEST TEMPLE STREET, ROOM 374A  
LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA 90012  
<http://laccod.org>**

**Wednesday, October 16, 2013**

**1:00 PM**

AUDIO IS NOT AVAILABLE FOR THIS MEETING. (13-5573)

Call to Order. (13-3013)

**President Janet A. Neal called the meeting to order at 1:10 p.m., and noted the lack of a quorum.**

Present: President Janet A. Neal, Vice President Winslow C. Reitnouer, 2nd Vice Chairperson John B. Troost, Treasurer Wendy Welt Narro, Commissioner John R. James and Commissioner Alexia Teran

Excused: Commissioner Edward A. Colley, Commissioner Michael Gureckas, Commissioner Steve Miller, Commissioner Maria Mustelier-Parrish, Commissioner Kecia Brooke Weller, Commissioner Sheila D. Wright and Commissioner Wan Chun Chang

**I. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS**

1. Approval of the Minutes from the meeting of September 18, 2013. (13-4368)

**This item was continued without discussion to the November 20, 2013 meeting.**

**Attachments:** [SUPPORTING DOCUMENT](#)

**II. REPORTS**

2. President's Report for September 2013. (13-4710)

**President Janet A. Neal thanked everyone for their support of the upcoming Access Awards Luncheon. In addition, she stated that Ms. Lora D. King, author and 2013 Access Awards honoree was a guest on the Commission on Disabilities' KTYM Radio Show.**

**Following discussion, this item was filed.**

3. Monthly Report by Events' Committee Chair Janet A. Neal. (13-4711)

**President Janet A. Neal reported that final discussions were held regarding the Access Awards Luncheon, and the Committee has selected the souvenir journal's cover and the Commission's Disability Network Radio Show on KTYM 1460 AM remains a hit in the community. In addition the Committee discussed starting next year's event timeline in January.**

**Following discussion, this item was filed.**

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4. Monthly Staff Report. (13-4712)

**Roy Sinclair, Commission Services Staff, reported that 150 attendees have purchased Access Awards Luncheon tickets and 12 Souvenir Journal ads were purchased as the follows: Two quarter-page; one half-page; four Business Card and all five Districts Supervisors purchased full-page.**

**Following discussion, by common consent, there being no objection, this item was filed.**

5. Monthly Report by Louis Burns, Access Services Customer Support Administrator, Access Services Inc. (13-4713)

**Louis Burns, Access Services Customer Support Administrator, Access Services, Inc., reported that he is researching whether Access Services will offer Taxicab Coupons to their customers to use as an alternative when Access Services is unable to meet their transportation needs.**

**President Janet A. Neal and Commissioner Alexia Teran commented on this item.**

**Mr. Burns responded to questions posed by the Commission.**

**Following discussion, this item was filed.**

- 6. Monthly Report by Jess Segovia, ADA Manager, and Giovanna Gogreve, ADA Para-transit Program Administrator, for Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority. (13-4714)**

**Giovanna Gogreve, ADA Para-transit Program Administrator for Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (METRO) introduced Andy Janicki, ADA Compliance Division of Civil Rights at METRO.**

**Mr. Janicki reported that METRO has a Mystery Riders program and anyone interested in becoming a Mystery Rider can access program information on as well as METRO's quarterly reports at metro.net.**

**Ms. Gogreve reported the government shutdown did not affect METRO's services to its customers because METRO was able to access Federal Government Grant funds that were received prior to the Federal Government's shutdown. She also reported that Access Services Inc wanted to discontinue the Rancho Los Amigos Shuttle service. However, METRO opposed Access Service's desire to eliminate the shuttle service, and by doing so, Access Services has agreed to partner with METRO to revamp the bus line and improve service to customers who desperately require this service, especially wheelchair users.**

**On October 17, 2013 METRO's Board of Directors will vote on a Request for Proposal (RFP) that will address Bus Stop usability. She concluded by stating METRO will continue the Dodger Express Shuttle service to Dodger Stadium.**

**Mr. Janicki and Ms. Gogreve responded to questions posed by the Commission.**

**Following discussion, this item was filed.**

**III. DISCUSSIONS**

7. Discussion and approval of appointment of Commissioners to the following Standing Committees:

- Education
- Events
- Executive
- Housing
- Social Services
- Transportation

(Continued from the meeting of September 18, 2013) (13-4030)

**This item was continued without discussion to the November 20, 2013 Commission meeting.**

**IV. MISCELLANEOUS**

8. Commissioners' Announcements for September 2013. (13-4715)

**The following Commissioners made announcements:**

- **Treasurer Wendy Welt Narro announced that she will attend the October 23, 2013 Los Angeles Job Corps Fair.**
- **Commissioner Alexia Teran announced that she watched "Everyone Has A Story" hosted by Cathy Lee on Channel 4. The episode highlighted the inspirational story about a young lady that will not allow the fact that she's a double amputee hold her from achieving her dreams in life.**
- **President Janet A. Neal announced the names of the 22nd Annual Access Awards honorees.**

**Following discussion, this item was filed.**

**Matters Not Posted**

9. Matters not on the posted agenda, to be discussed and (if requested) placed on the agenda for action at a future meeting of the Committee, or matters requiring immediate action because of an emergency situation or where the need to take action arose subsequent to the posting of the agenda. (13-4716)

**There were no matters posted.**

**Public Comment**

10. Opportunity for members of the public to address the Commission on items of interest that are within the jurisdiction of the Commission. (13-4717)

**The following persons addressed the Commission:**

**Phyllis Coto addressed the Commission regarding the Casa Conference held in South Pasadena.**

**Michelle Baxley addressed the Commission about her business venture.**

**Deadra Mizell addressed the Commission about a custodial dispute that resulted in a domestic violence.**

**Linda Block addressed the Commission on California Coordinated Care Initiative.**

**Following discussion, this item was filed.**

**Adjournment**

11. Adjournment of the October 16, 2013 meeting. (13-4718)

**The October 16, 2013 meeting adjourned at 2:40 p.m.**